

THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Ordinance No. 10986 (New Series)

Adopted: March 4, 2026

Effective: April 3, 2026

RECORD OF CHANGES TO THIS ORDINANCE

Note date and initial when replacement pages are inserted

UPDATE			UPDATE			UPDATE			UPDATE		
No.	Date	By	No.	Date	By	No.	Date	By	No.	Date	By
1	3-83	DPLU	33	10-89	DPLU	65	2-03	DPLU	97	11-14	PDS
2	6-83	"	34	1-90	"	66	6-03	"	98	5-16	"
3	10-83	"	35	5-90	"	67	9-03	"	99	4-17	"
4	12-83	"	36	7-90	"	68	2-04	"	100	3-19	"
5	5-84	"	37	8-90	"	69	8-04	"	101	9-19	"
6	6-84	"	38	10-90	"	70	10-04	"	102	3-20	"
7	11-84	"	39	9-91	"	71	2-05	"	103	12-20	"
8	12-84	"	40	3-92	"	72	3-06	"	104	03-21	"
9	1-85	"	41	6-92	"	73	3-07	"	105	10-21	"
10	3-85	"	42	10-92	"	74	5-07	"	106	02-22	"
11	5-85	"	43	12-92	"	75	4-08	"	107	10-21	"
12	8-85	"	44	1-93	"	76	9-08	"	108	9-22	"
13	9-85	"	45	3-93	"	77	1-09	"	109	4-22	"
14	11-85	"	46	6-93	"	78	3-09	"	110	7-23	"
15	12-85	"	47	7-93	"	79	4-09	"	111	12-24	"
16	5-86	"	48	1-94	"	80	10-09	"	112	2-26	"
17	6-86	"	49	7-94	"	81	2-10	"	113	3-26	"
18	7-86	"	50	10-94	"	82	7-10	"			
19	8-86	"	51	1-95	"	83	9-10	"			
20	10-86	"	52	3-95	"	84	10-10	"			
21	11-86	"	53	11-95	"	85	1-11	"			
22	1-87	"	54	12-95	"	86	2-11	"			
23	6-87	"	55	8-96	"	87	9-11	"			
24	7-87	"	56	1-98	"	88	4-12	"			
25	9-87	"	57	5-98	"	89	7-12	PDS			
26	11-87	"	58	10-98	"	90	11-12	"			
27	2-88	"	59	7-99	"	91	3-13	"			
28	2-88	"	60	7-00	"	92	6-13	"			
29	6-88	"	61	4-01	"	93	10-13	"			
30	8-88	"	62	3-02	"	94	11-13	"			
31	2-89	"	63	1-03	"	95	2-14	"			
32	8-89	"	64	1-03	"	96	9-14	"			

DPLU = Department of Planning & Land Use (i.e., PDS prior to July 2012)

PDS = Planning & Development Services



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TO: Persons Holding Copies of the San Diego County Zoning Ordinance

FROM: Planning & Development Services

RE: AMENDMENT PAGES FOR THE COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE

Attached are pages containing changes to the San Diego County Zoning Ordinance amended by adoption by the Board of Supervisors on March 4, 2026, by Ordinance No. 10986, effective April 3, 2026.

Ordinance No. 10986 makes additions and amendments to Section 6156.x of the Zoning Ordinance. This amendment is known as "An Ordinance Amending the San Diego County Zoning Ordinance Part Six: General Regulations: Accessory Use Regulations Related to Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) and Junior Accessory Dwelling Unit (JADU) Section 6156.x, PDS2025-POD-25-009."

Please visit the [American Legal website](#) for the latest version of the Zoning Ordinance and to see where these changes have been reflected. If you keep a hard copy of the Zoning Ordinance, files can be downloaded directly from the [American Legal website](#). Items removed and added to the Zoning Ordinance include:

REMOVE	ADD	SECTION CHANGES/DESCRIPTION
Section 6156.x	Section 6156.x	The Amendment updates the County's Zoning Ordinance to reorganize and clarify the Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) section for alignment with State law and improved public guidance. The amendment also updates the Ordinance to allow the separate sale of ADUs under Assembly Bill (AB) 1033.

If you have any questions regarding this update, please contact staff at

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "V. Nicoletti", is positioned above the printed name.

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